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## Idaho Milk Production Up 1.8 Percent

Idaho milk production during May 2010 totaled 1.08 billion pounds, a 1.8 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 4.4 percent from April 2010, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. April 2010 milk production was revised to 1.03 billion pounds, up 5 million pounds from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in May 2010 was 1,930 pounds, up 20 pounds from May 2009. The average number of milk cows during May was 557,000 head, up 4,000 from May 2009, but unchanged from April 2010.

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 15.7 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from May 2009. April revised production at 15.2 billion pounds, was up 1.8 percent from April 2009. The April revision represented an increase of 14 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,889 pounds for May, 55 pounds above May 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.33 million head, 143,000 head less than May 2009, but 4,000 head more than April 2010.